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1. WE FIND IT INTERESTING THAT BRITISH ARE BRINGING
UP AGAIN, EVEN IF IN SOMEWHAT GINGERLY FASHION, IDEA OF
DIRECT SERVICE FROM BERLIN TO POINTS OUTSIDE FRG (PARA 8
REFTEL). WHEN THIS WAS DISCUSSED IN WASHINGTON IN 1974,
AND AGREEMENT REACHED ON OVERALL SHARING AGREEMENT, BOTH
PAA AND BA SEEMED VERY KEEN TO GET MOVING, PARTICULARLY
WITH RESPECT TO ZURICH. NOTHING FURTHER EVER HAPPENED,
TO BEST OUR KNOWLEDGE. IDEA IN BRITISH PAPER THAT
SUCH FLIGHTS COULD BE CONSIDERED ONLY AS LONG AS DISPUTE
WITH SOVIETS IS NOT THEREBY PROVOKED IS OF COURSE
CONTRADICTION IN TERMS, SINCE SOVIETS WOULD BE CERTAIN
TO OBJECT, AS THEY DO TO VIRTUALLY ANYTHING WHICH
BETTERS POSITION OF WEST BERLIN. THIS WOULD IN OUR
VIEW BE NO GREAT IMPEDIMENT PROVIDED OBJECTION WAS
CONFINED TO PROTEST FOR RECORD.

2. WOULD APPRECIATE DEPARTMENT'S LOOKING INTO MATTER CONFIDENTIAL

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AND LETTING US KNOW IF SHARING ARRANGEMENT FOR BERLIN

INTERNATIONAL FLIGHTS AGREED	IN 1974 CAN STILL BE
CONSIDERED VALID FROM USG POI	NT OF VIEW.GEORGE

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